## **BEFORE**

## THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF

## **SOUTH CAROLINA**

## **DOCKET NO. 2011-47-WS**

IN RE: Application of Carolina Water	r)		
Service, Inc. for Adjustment of	)		
Certain Terms and Conditions	)	SETTLEMENT	AGREEMENT
for the Provision of Water and Sewer	)		
Service	)		

WHEREAS Carolina Water Service, Inc., ("Carolina Water") has applied for an adjustment of rates and charges in the above captioned docket; and

WHEREAS Carolina Water by contract provides Midlands Utility, Inc. ("Midlands") with bulk sewer treatment service for Midlands' customers in the Vanarsdale subdivision in Richland County, South Carolina; and

WHEREAS Carolina Water in its application has sought to increase the contract bulk sewer treatment rate with Midlands as approved in Docket No. 2006-92-WS from \$16.53 per single family equivalent per month to \$18.78 per month; and

WHEREAS Midlands has intervened in the above captioned docket objecting to the increase in the contract bulk treatment service expense; and further because Vanarsdale Customers presently pay a collection fee in the amount of \$23.03 inaddition to the treatment charge, for a total cost of sewer services of \$39.56. per single family equivalent per month; and

WHEREAS Carolina Water and Midlands have agreed to resolve all issues between them in this docket, subject to the approval of the South Garolina Public Service Commission.

Settlement Agreement between Carolina Water Service, Ingreen Midlands Utility, Inc.; Re: Docket No. 2011-47-WS before the Public Service Commission for South Carolina; Signed respectively as of September 7, 2011.

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WHEREFORE, for the purposes of this docket, consideration of the premises, the Parties hereto agree and stipulate as follows:

- 1) That any increase in the contract bulk sewer treatment service rate charged Midlands by Carolina Water for bulk sewer treatment service to Midland's customers in the Vanarsdale subdivision shall be identical to the percentage increase which may be allowed for single family equivalent sewer treatment rate in this docket; and
- 2) That the prefiled testimony of Carolina Water and Midlands addressing the issues related to the appropriate rate to be charged to Midlands for bulk sewer treatment service to Midlands' customers in the Vanarsdale subdivision will be admitted into the record without objection or cross examination.
- 3) That the Parties agree that this Settlement Agreement is fair, reasonable, in the public interest, and in accordance with law and regulatory policy; and
- 4) That the Parties agree that by signing this Settlement Agreement it shall not constrain, inhibit, or impair their arguments or positions held in future proceedings before the South Carolina Public Service Commission; and
- 5) That this Settlement Agreement contains the complete agreement between the Parties and shall be binding according to the stipulations.

WITNESS THE BELOW SIGNATURES EXECUTED AS OF SEPTEMBER 7, 2011 BY THE PARTIES RESPECTIVE ATTORNEYS OF RECORD.

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